

removable from said disc cartridge, said disc cartridge having an insertion and removal port opening and closing member; and

said disc insertion and removal port opening and closing member being moved from said disc cartridge when taking out said disc shaped recording medium,

wherein said disc cartridge has a locking member for locking said insertion and removal port opening and closing member, said locking member being movable along an inwardly directed moving path from a locking position with respect to an outer portion of said disc cartridge toward another position in a direction of a central portion of said disc cartridge, and

wherein at least a part of a locking cancellation preventing member which prevents said locking member from moving for canceling the locking is arranged along a portion of said inwardly directed moving path for said locking member at least between said locking position and said another position.

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22 2. (amended) A disc cartridge as claimed in claim 1, wherein said locking cancellation preventing member is irreversibly displaced out of said inwardly directed moving path and the locking is canceled by moving said locking member.